

### FINDING AID

# EDGAR ALLAN POE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE RECORDS

1929-2010(bulk dates: )

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#### HISTORY

The Edgar Allan Poe National Historic Site is located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and is administered by the Independence National Historical Park. The site incorporates the home Poe rented in early 1843 in which he, his wife, and mother-in-law resided for a year before his move to New York City. Poe was already very well known as a literary critic and author at the time he lived in Philadelphia; it is believed that it was while in residence at this house that Poe penned The Black Cat and published the Murders in the Rue Morgue in Graham's Magazine. The historic site encompasses the house as well as two adjoining buildings that were built after Poe's residence in Philadelphia. Today the latter two buildings house a visitor's center, reading room and exhibit space.

Poe lived in several homes while a resident of Philadelphia but the house at this site is the only one that remains. In 1933 the property was purchased by Colonel Richard C. Gimbel, a leading rare book authority who was an avid collector of Poe manuscripts and memorabilia. At that time the site included a row house built in 1845 that was attached to the Poe House, and a number of other structures which Gimbel tore down. Gimbel created a museum where he could display his extensive collection of Poe's literary works, and along with his curator, Anthony Frayne, filled the house with carefully chosen period furniture. The museum was opened to the public twice a year, on the anniversaries of Poe's birth and death.

In 1962 the National Park Service declared the Poe House a Registered National Historic Landmark. In 1966, The Richard C. Gimbel Foundation purchased two vacant lots on either side of the two buildings; in 1971, after the death of Colonel Gimbel, the houses and adjoining land were donated to the City of Philadelphia. The city appointed the Free Library of Philadelphia as administrator of the Poe House complex; it was during their administration that many of the reconstruction projects on the house and site were planned and initiated. Mr. Frayne and his wife remained as curator and caretaker of the property.

The Edgar Allan Poe National Historic Site was authorized by Congress to become part of the National Park Service system on November 10, 1978, opening to the public in 1980. It is located at 530-532 North Seventh St., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

#### SCOPE AND CONTENT

# EDGAR ALLAN POE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE RECORDS 1929-2010 (bulk dates: )

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**DESCRIPTION** 

The Edgar Allan Poe National Historic Site Records are the working files and historical background materials for the Edgar Allan Poe National Historic Site. The site is located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and is administered by Independence National Historical Park. The materials were generated by park personnel and visitors. The collection also includes photocopied material collected by the National Park Service that relate to the organizations that were previously responsible for the site's management.

The materials in this collection include one blueprint and several street plans; correspondence; black and white and color photographs, slides and negatives; photocopies of newspaper clippings; photocopies of deeds and other legal documents; exhibit materials on colored construction paper; pins and badges; brochures and pamphlets; handwritten notes and memoranda; published hard and soft cover Teacher's Handbooks; historic resource studies; audiovisual material (VHS and 8mm film formats); 51/4" and 31/2" floppy discs; and oversize materials. There is one artifact, in the form of a newspaper remnant dated 1875.

The records span the period 1929-2010. With the exception of the historical background materials, the collection covers the years 1978-2010 and relates to the activities of the site's educational and special programs for children and adults, and the reconstruction and restoration activities undertaken by the National Park Service after it acquired the property in 1978. The collection also includes curricular materials for children's programs and files detailing the many park-wide

events that revolved around the life and work of Edgar Allan Poe.

The earlier background files concern the history of the Poe House prior to and including the early management of the National Park Service. These files include photocopies of newspaper clippings about the house, Richard C. Gimbel, and the Frayne family, as well as photographs and reports on restoration activities and renovations to the interior and exterior of the site that were initiated by the Free Library of Philadelphia and continued by the National Park Service.

**ORGANIZATION** 

[Organization]Organized into six Series: Series I: Administrative Files; Series II: Program Files; Series III: Interpretation Files; Series IV: Research Files; Series V: Publications; and Series VI: Photographs and Audiovisual Materials. [Arrangement]

**PROVENANCE** 

RESTRICTIONS NO

ASSOCIATED MATERIALS Construction Project Records, 1916, 1925-1989 (bulk dates 1955-1980). Prepared by Caris Brown and Rachel Ban; History Associates Incorporated, June 2006. Catalog Number: 74046.

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  - B. SUBSERIES B: AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS, 1988-2005

#### SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

#### I. SERIES 1: ADMINISTRATIVE FILES, 1929-2008, undated

Series I is organized into two subseries, Subseries A: Administrative Historyl Records, 1929-2010, undated, undated, and Subseries B: Poe House Records, 1970-2008, undated.

The series contains both historical materials and evidence of the day-to-day administration of the site. There is some overlap in the dates and material because Subseries A is an artificial grouping created by the National Park Service for the purpose of documenting the history of the site. The materials include photocopied legal documents, such as deeds and titles; a blueprint and several street plans; correspondence; reports; press clippings; and photographs. There is one artifact, a newspaper clipping dated 1875.

#### A. SUBSERIES A: ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY RECORDS, 1929-2001, undated

Organized into four sub-subseries: Sub-subseries 1: The Free Library of Philadelphia, 1971-1980; Sub-subseries 2: House History, 1929-1999; Sub-subseries 3: National Park Service, 1978-2001 (1978-2001), undated; and Sub-subseries 4: Photographs, 1971-1988.

These records document the three distinct historical eras of the Poe House stewardship: The Richard C. Gimbel Foundation for Literary Research, (1933-1971); The City of Philadelphia/Free Library of Philadelphia, (1971-1978); and the National Park Service (1978-2001). The records consist of planning reports, press releases, a blueprint, street plans, audiovisual material, and correspondence and memoranda related to park management. It also includes background information on the Gimbel and Frayne families, press clippings, photocopies of titles, deeds and notices, and a copy of the Land Acquisition Plan for the Poe site. An admission ticket for the museum dated 1934 and a 1963 notification letter announcing that the Poe House had achieved National Historic Landmark status are among the few original items from the records of the pre- National Park Service administrations. Included are files from Mary Reinhart, who as Chief, Interpretive Support Services, had a major role in coordinating the ongoing restoration and rehabilitation of the site during the early years of National Park Service management.

#### 1. SUB-SUBSERIES 1: HOUSE HISTORY, 1929-1999

Arranged alphabetically by subject, and thereunder chronologically

This sub-subseries includes press clippings about the Gimbel and Frayne families; photocopies of land documents; notes on the initial start-up plans for the Edgar Allan Poe National Historic Site from Mary Jenkins, the first NPS site supervisor; and an original admission ticket from 1934.

#### 2. SUB-SUBSERIES 2: THE FREE LIBRARY OF PHILADELPHIA. 1971-1980

#### Arranged chronologically

This sub-subseries contains photocopies of correspondence relating to the Free Library of Philadelphia's administration of the Edgar Allan Poe site, including architectural reports and press clippings about David Caccia, the artist commissioned to create the site's Raven sculpture.

#### 3. SUB-SUBSERIES 3: NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, 1978-2001

Arranged alphabetically by subject, and thereunder chronologically.

This sub-subseries includes archeological and architectural reports, in particular several drafts of the Historic Structures Report; a blueprint, drafts and notes on the Interim Interpretive Plan; exhibit plans; paint and wallpaper analyses; and documents related to the designations of the site as 1) a National Literary Landmark by the Literary Landmarks Association, and 2) a National Historic Site by the National Park Service.

#### 4. SUB-SUBSERIES 4: PHOTOGRAPHS, 1972-1988

Arranged alphabetically by subject, and thereunder chronologically.

The images in this sub-subseries document dedication ceremonies in 1981 and 1988, and interior and exterior views of the Poe House before restoration.

#### B. SUBSERIES B: POE HOUSE RECORDS, 1978-2008, undated

Organized into three sub-subseries: Sub-subseries 1: General Administrative Files; Sub-subseries 2: Facility Planning and Safety Files; and Sub-subseries 3: Correspondence.

This series reflects the day-to-day operation of the site, including memoranda related to park events and programs; correspondence with other agencies and individuals; materials related to maintenance problems; proposals for site improvements such as landscaping and accessibility projects; and employee and visitor safety issues. Some of the proposals are for historic reconstruction, such as landscape restoration, while others are related to the rehabilitation of the structure and surrounding areas.

#### 1. SUB-SUBSERIES 1: GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE FILES, 1978-2008, undated

Arranged alphabetically by subject, and thereunder chronologically.

Included in this sub-subseries are annual narratives, program evaluations, "Week in Review" files, and reports and plans for the restoration and future use of the site and its resources.

## 2. SUB-SUBSERIES 2: FACILITY PLANNING AND SAFETY FILES, 1978-2004, undated

Arranged alphabetically by subject, and thereunder chronologically.

This sub-subseries contains files related to maintenance and security reports; landscape and HVAC projects; standard operating procedures; and reports on the rehabilitation of the Poe House.

#### 3. SUB-SUBSERIES 3: CORRESPONDENCE, 1978-2005

Arranged alphabetically by subject, and thereunder chronologically.

This sub-subseries contains correspondence files of Kathleen Dilonardo, in her capacity as Chief, Interpretation and Visitors Services, John Stoudt, School Program Coordinator, and general correspondence of park rangers concerning publicity, safety and maintenance.

#### II. SERIES II: PROGRAM FILES, 1981-2010, undated

The series is organized into two subseries: Subseries A: Children's Programs, 1981-2010, undated; and Subseries B: Special Programs, 1980-2004, undated.

This series documents the goals and mission of the site: to educate the public on the life and times of Edgar Allan Poe and to use his residence as a way of celebrating Philadelphia and the arts. The materials in this series include Program Data Base files, curricular materials, children's publications, reference material, and brochures.

#### A. SUBSERIES A: CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS, 1981-2010, undated

This subseries is organized into four sub-subseries: Sub-subseries 1: Exhibit Files, 1983-1985, undated; Sub-subseries 2: Junior Ranger Program, 1982-2010, undated; Sub-subseries 3: Teaching Aids, 1981-1998, undated; and Sub-subseries 4: Summer Magazine Club, 1981-1997, undated.

Children's programs are a primary focus the site. Documented activities include on- and off-site school programs, the Junior Ranger Program activities, and the Summer Magazine Club. Also included are teaching materials, exhibits, and publications produced by children.

The exhibit files document some of the children's activities held at the park, while the teaching aids reflect the curricular materials that formed the basis of many of these programs. The Junior Ranger activities are multi-disciplinary, incorporating art and writing with the history and stories of Edgar Allan Poe. The material in this subseries includes Program Data Base files, general correspondence, program guides, and

activities. The Summer Magazine Club was an educational program held at the Poe House for several weekly sessions during the summer. The culmination of each summer's program was the publication of a magazine, containing the art and writings of the participants. This subseries includes copies of these magazines as well as program files.

#### 1. SUB-SUBSERIES 1: EXHIBIT FILES, 1983-1985, undated

Arranged chronologically.

This sub-subseries documents the exhibits created in conjunction with some of the children's programs, including examples of displays, signs, and content.

#### 2. SUB-SUBSERIES 2: JUNIOR RANGER PROGRAM, 1983-2010, undated

Arranged alphabetically by subject, and thereunder chronologically.

Files in this sub-subseries detail the extensive activities of the Junior Ranger Program. Included are program descriptions and reports; teaching aids and handouts; Junior Ranger guides and booklets; and materials related to ceremonies and prizes.

#### 3. SUB-SUBSERIES 3: TEACHING AIDS, 1981-1998, undated

Arranged alphabetically by subject, and thereunder chronologically.

This sub-subseries contains curricular materials for the many children's programs held at the park and in neighborhood schools. The material includes lesson plans; handouts; field trip packets; school program planning and evaluations; and a Teacher's Guide and other site brochures.

#### 4. SUB-SUBSERIES 4: SUMMER MAGAZINE CLUB, 1981-1997, undated

Arranged chronologically.

Included in this sub-subseries are program files, schedules, worksheets, photographs, and magazines created by the participants.

#### B. SUBSERIES B: SPECIAL PROGRAMS, 1980-2004, undated

Arranged alphabetically by program title, and thereunder chronologically.

Many of the programs held at the Poe House were tied to events in Poe's life or to his writing. These programs were open to visitors of any age interested in participating. This subseries contains materials from these programs as well as files related to National Park Week, National Poetry Month, Black History Month, and Women's History Week. The subseries includes Program Data Base files, photographs, press releases, photocopies of newspaper clippings, and program evaluation files.

#### III. SERIES III: INTERPRETATION FILES, 1980-2002, undated

Arranged by alphabetically by title, and thereunder chronologically.

Throughout the year the visitor's center mounted exhibits that pertained to Poe's life and work in addition to related topics that touched on life in Philadelphia. This series contains Program Data Base files, press releases, staff memoranda, background materials, and exhibit signage.

#### IV. SERIES IV: RESEARCH FILES, 1938-1959, 1972-2008

Organized into two subseries: Subseries A: House Material, 1938-2008; and Subseries B: Historic Resource Studies, 1981-2005.

This series contains background material used for several purposes at the Poe House. It includes reference material for educational programs; photocopies of press clippings on the history of the site; photocopies and facsimile prints of Poe's articles and poems; pamphlets from sources other than the National Park Service; copies of research proposals and reports; and photocopies of files on the history of the Poe House prior to National Park Service administration.

#### A. SUBSERIES A: RESEARCH MATERIAL, 1949-2008

Arranged alphabetically by subject, and thereunder chronologically.

This subseries contains materials used as resources for educational programs, including catalogs for reproduction clothing, bibliographic material, and photocopies of 19th century sheet music. Additional background materials on the Poe House include press clippings, newspaper supplements on special programs, and publications from sources other than the National Park Service. Of note is a 1949 commemorative first day of issue envelope and stamp celebrating Poe and the Poe House.

#### B. SUBSERIES B: HISTORIC RESOURCE STUDIES, 1981-2005

Arranged alphabetically by report title.

This subseries contains research studies used in program planning and reconstruction activities. A majority of the material are drafts of the Historic Structures Report, which was commissioned to research the historical background of the Poe House site and offer recommendations for its restoration. These materials contain the preliminary outlines, commentary, and drafts of the historical and architectural research concerning restoration issues; site plans; and architects' analyses. The historical data section provides a house chronology.

#### V. SERIES V: PUBLICATIONS, 1980-2008, undated

Arranged alphabetically by title, and thereunder chronologically.

Included in this series are the working files and copies of the Edgar Allan Poe National Historic Site Teacher's Handbook, in hardbound and softbound editions, and The Four Faces of Poe Teacher's Handbook. These publications were an outgrowth of programs initiated at the park. There are also site brochures and newsletters.

VI. SERIES VI: PHOTOGRAPHS AND AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS, 1962-2005, undated

The series is organized into two subseries: Subseries A: Photographs and Slides, 1962-2005, undated; and Subseries B: Audiovisual Materials, 1988-2005, undated.

The series is composed of color and black and white photographs, negatives, and slides; VHS tapes; and 8mm color film. There are also documents and correspondence related to the conversion of slides to video; audiovisual guides; and lists of the audio and video tapes available on site for programming use and for sale.

A. SUBSERIES A: PHOTOGRAPHS AND SLIDES, 1962-2005, undated

Arranged chronologically.

The photographs and slides document the many programs held at the park, in particular Junior Ranger activities, as well as exhibits and special programs. Also included are interior and exterior views of the Poe House photographed by the architects involved with the restoration of the site. Formats include color and black and white photographs, negatives, and slides.

B. SUBSERIES B: AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS, 1988-2005

Arranged chronologically.

This subseries includes two VHS recordings of poetry readings; four 8mm color films; documents concerning the conversion of slides to video; and lists of audio and video tapes available at the site.

#### **CONTAINER LIST**

#### INDEPENDENCE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

#### EDGAR ALLAN POE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE - CONTAINER LIST

SERIES I: Administrative Files, 1929-2008, undated

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Folder 4: Gimbel Foundation Stationary, undated

Folder 5: Hardware List, 1979-1983

Folder 6: National Historic Landmark Notification, January 4, 1983

Folder 7: Notes: Start-up of EAPNHS by Mary Jenkins, First Site Supervisor, 1980

Folder 8: Notes: Start-up of EAPNHS by Mary Jenkins, First Site Supervisor, 1981-1982

Folder 9: Publications and Clippings, 1929-1978

Folder 10: Publications and Clippings, 1929-1999

Folder 11: Title, Deed, Federal Notice Photocopies, 1935, 1966, 1980

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Folder 21: David Caccia, Raven Sculpture, 1979

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Folder 25: Architect William. D. Brookover Correspondence, 1984-1988

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Folder 27: Blueprint for 530 North 7th Street, undated

Folder 28: Comparative Microscopic Paint and Color Analysis Report by John Welsh, 1984

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Folder 4: Historic Structures Report by Alvin Holm, 1982 [2 of 2]

Folder 5: Historic Structures Report annotated by Mary Jenkins, 1982 [1 of 2]

Folder 6: Historic Structures Report annotated by Mary Jenkins, 1982 [2 of 2]

Folder 7: Historic Structures Report Memoranda, 1980-1983

Folder 8: Interim Interpretive Plan for Edgar Allan Poe NHS, July 11, 1980

Folder 9: Interim Interpretive Prospectus, 2nd Draft, 1979

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Folder 12: Interpretive Prospectus Meeting Notes, December 12, 1978:

Folder 13: Landscaping, 1982-1990

Folder 14: Main Exhibit Meeting Notes, 1980

Folder 15: Main Exhibit Plans, 1980

Folder 16: Mantle Drawings, First, Second and Third Floors, 1988

Folder 17: Microscopic Analysis Report by Frank Welsh, July 25, 1985

Folder 18: Moisture Problems Reports by Bernard Goodman, March 2, 1984

Folder 19: Moisture Readings Report at EDAL by Larry Klock, November 8, 1983

Folder 20: Paint Analysis Project, 1981-1987

Folder 21: Program Planning, 1981-1989

Folder 22: Reading Room Exhibits, 1980-2001

Folder 23: Structural Inspection Memoranda, 1985-1987

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1838-1844, 1981 (1 of 3)

Folder 2: Historic Resource Study: Edgar Allan Poe, "The Years in Philade\_lphia, 1838-1844, 1981 (2 of 3)

Folder 3: Historic Resource Study: Edgar Allan Poe, "The Years in Philadelphia, 1838-1844, 1981 (3 of 3)

Folder 4: Wallpaper Analysis Project, 1981-1989

Folder 5: Wallpaper Research, Mary Reinhart, 1987

Folder 6: Waterproofing Exterior Walls Project, May 29, 1984

Folder 7: Welsh Studies Chronology by Mary Reinhart, 1987

Folder 8: Work Files, Mary Reinhart, 1982-1984

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Folder 15: Poe House Interior and Exterior, February 13, 1984

Folder 16: Poe House Interior before City Restoration, 1972

Folder 17: Research Locations Marked by Alvin Holm, AIA, 1981-1984

Folder 18: Wallpaper Remnants by Loretta Schmidt, 1985

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Folder 5: Annual Narratives for Visitor Services Activities, 1995-2001

Folder 6: Acting Supervisor Weekly Reports, June 13, 1992-June 19, 1993

Folder 7: Anti-Drug Programs at Edgar Allan Poe NHS, 1990-1991

Folder 8: Friends of Poe, 2003-2005

Folder 9: Interim Interpretive Plan for Edgar Allan Poe Historic Site, 1978-1980

Folder 10: Land Acquisition Plan, September 1979

Folder 11: Long Range Interpretive Plan, December 2003

Folder 12: National Historic Site and Landmark Status Files, 1978-1988

Folder 13: National Historic Site Planning, 1978-1982

Folder 14: Press Releases, 1981-2006

Folder 15: Program Evaluations, 1994-2003

Folder 16: Proposed Scope of Sales Report, undated

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#### SERIES II: Program Files, 1981-2010, undated

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SUB-SUBSERIES 1: Exhibit Files, 1983-1985, undated

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- Folder 11: Summer Club Program Data Base Files, 1981-1983, undated
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- Folder 13: Summer Club Schedules, 1983-1985
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Folder 11: Paint & Wallpaper Research & Proposals, 1983-1987, 2002

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Folder 31: "There's No Place Like Home" (Exhibit Prospectus), May 11, 1992

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Folder 4: Foreign Language Site Brochures, undated

Folder 5: Friends of Independence National Historic Park Newsletters, 1981-2008

Folder 6: National Historic Site Brochures, 1992-1998

Folder 7: NPS Informational Brochures on Poe, 1992-2006

Folder 8: Poe Brochure Updates and Reprints, 1994-1995

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Folder 19: "Poe House 1975" donated by A. Calvello on September 15, 1994

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